

# **NEWS FROM THE 1st DISTRICT**

Dear Friends,

It was another busy week in beautiful New Hampshire. Wonderful to hear from constituents at Town Halls and meetings across the District.

### **Hosting Town Halls**



I enjoyed answering thoughtful questions from engaged Lakes Region constituents at Tuesday night's Town Hall in Laconia. As Granny D always said: Democracy is something we do!



I also enjoyed the opportunity to hear from constituents and discuss important issues including health care, national security, and the environment at Wednesday night's Town Hall in Dover.

#### Read more:

#### Shea-Porter speaks to constituents

#### Fosters // Judi Currie

The lack of unity in Congress, climate change, and health care topped the list of concerns at a forum Wednesday hosted by U.S. Rep. Carol Shea-Porter, D-N.H, a the McConnell Center in downtown Dover.

#### Shea-Porter sees some good, some 'chilling' things in DC

#### Laconia Sun // Rick Green

Democratic U.S. Rep. Carol Shea-Porter struck a positive tone in her talk to a few dozen constituents Tuesday evening, although she did express concerns over actions and comments of President Donald Trump, including his recent warning to North Korea.

#### North Korea and our National Security

Following this week's reckless comments about North Korea from President Trump, I joined with more than 60 Members of Congress to write an urgent letter to Secretary of State Rex Tillerson expressing our "profound concern" over these "irresponsible and dangerous" statements. We urged Secretary Tillerson to do everything in his power "to ensure that President Trump and other Administration officials understand the importance of speaking and acting with the utmost caution and restraint on this delicate issue."

This is a dangerous moment that requires skill, experience, and knowledge to deal with North Korea's threats and aggression. President Trump needs to seek out people with those skills. Now.

#### **Around the District**



Thanks to the team at the <u>UNH School of Marine Science and Ocean Engineering</u>'s Center for Coastal and Ocean Mapping for a fascinating and informative tour. New Hampshire residents are proud of UNH's global scientific leadership in ocean mapping and their commitment to map all of our world oceans by 2030.



My staff and I visited the Sawyer Mills Dam in Dover yesterday. It's over 100 years old, and isn't working anymore – actually, it's been causing floods. Now, it's set to be removed next year with help from NOAA at the request of the landowner and the City of Dover.



On Monday I visited the Rochester Water Treatment Plant. Thanks to Chief Operator Ian Rohrbacher and staff for showing me the plant and for their work to provide Rochester residents safe water.



Monday night's screening of the film *Tidewater* at the Great Bay Discovery Center in Greenland was informative and powerful. As the film shows, climate change is a serious national security threat.



I agree with Ron and Patti from Milton, two strong advocates for people with brain tumors, that we need to keep funding brain tumor research, including for pediatric cancers, which is why I am a cosponsor of the STAR Act.

#### **Closing thoughts**

This week, I announced that the Air Force has agreed to pay \$1.3 million to the City of Portsmouth to complete next steps in the ongoing Pease clean-up effort. The investment is a good next step toward addressing unacceptable PFC contamination in our drinking water. I expect the Air Force to take financial responsibility for both cleaning up our water and for studying the health impacts of the level of PFC exposure that Pease-area residents have already experienced.

As always, thank you for the honor of representing you in Congress.

Best wishes,

Carol Shea-Prour Carol

#### This week's press releases

- Shaheen, Hassan, Shea-Porter: Air Force to Pay for Pease PFC Filtration System
- Shea-Porter, Kuster Send Letter to President Trump Calling for Action on the **Opioid Epidemic**

• ICYMI: Shea-Porter, More than 50 House Judiciary, Armed Services & LGBT Equality Caucus Democrats Urge Secretary of Defense & Joint Chiefs of Staff to Not Comply with Trump's Unconstitutional Transgender Ban

#### **ICYMI**

# NH congressional delegation calls Trump 'fire and fury' threat 'chilling,' 'dangerous,' 'bellicose'

#### WMUR // John DiStaso

New Hampshire's all-Democratic congressional delegation used terms such as "bellicose," "chilling," "dangerous" and "overly aggressive" to describe President Donald Trump's threat Tuesday to unleash "fire and fury" on North Korea if its provocative behavior continues.

#### Air Force to pay for Pease PFC filtration system

#### **Portsmouth Herald**

Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Senator Maggie Hassan, and Congresswoman Carol Shea-Porter (NH-01) today announced that the U.S. Air Force has agreed to pay the city of Portsmouth \$1.3 million to complete next steps in the ongoing Pease cleanup effort.\

## Kuster, Shea-Porter co-write letter calling for more funding to fight opioid epidemic

#### Nashua Telegraph // Derek Edry

New Hampshire's House Reps., Annie Kuster and Carol Shea-Porter, co-wrote a letter to President Trump this week, with nine other Democrats in the State House, urging greater action to address the opioid epidemic.

#### **Shea-Porter talks drinking water in Rochester**

#### Fosters // Kyle Stucker

During a visit to the city's water treatment facility on Monday, U.S. Rep. Carol Shea-Porter, D-N.H., called on representatives in Concord and her colleagues in Washington to do more to commit to protecting local citizens' drinking water.



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